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1. [redacted] a special passenger train leaves Shanghai on Mondays and Thursdays only about 0600 hours and arrives in Canton about 1400 hours on Wednesdays and Saturdays, that is the trip takes 44 hours. The train was on time within a few minutes.
2. There are only two classes on this train, "soft" and "hard". [redacted] "hard" [redacted] means sleeping in wooden bunks. For a payment of JMF \$10 thousand (say US\$0.50) the railway provides a small mattress, two sheets, a pillow and a white blanket marked in blue lettering "US Navy Medical Department." Incidentally these navy blankets were on sale in Shanghai until about a year ago spring 52. They disappeared after the "five anti" campaign was started.
3. The train was full with all berths taken but was kept perfectly clean. At times the supply of water for washing ran out until it could be replenished at the next stop, but otherwise the trip was comfortable. The train carried a dining car which served meals in two or three sittings. Chinese food was served also to passengers in their compartments.
4. The ride was normally smooth and [redacted] no bridges were out or under repair. [redacted] at some spots the window blinds were drawn, the toilets locked, [redacted]
5. [redacted] no part of the line was double-track [redacted]

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6. An unarmed military guard patrolled through the train every two or three hours. [redacted] this was all the train carried in the way of guards. [redacted] stations [redacted] they were always present. [redacted] at the

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7. [redacted] Three or four of the trains on the sidings were military trains consisting of box cars full of troops and of flat cars carrying vehicles, mostly two-wheeled horse drawn carts. On one occasion [redacted] train stopped opposite a military train [redacted] Besides the troops and vehicles there were box cars full of horses. [redacted] the cargo on the freight trains [redacted] was always covered by tarpaulins. [redacted]

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